



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 8526**  
Inge JOHANSEN et al. : Docket No. 2001\_1826A  
Serial No. 10/018,174 : Group Art Unit 1725  
Filed March 12, 2002 : Examiner Kevin P. Kerns  
EQUIPMENT FOR CONTINUOUS, : **Mail Stop: RCE**  
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**AMENDMENT**

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE  
FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 9, 2004, the period for response having been extended for two (2) months by the attached petition, please amend the present application as follows: